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## Ribbon-cutting ceremony set for new Radiological and Environmental Sciences Laboratory

IDAHO FALLS—On Monday, Aug. 22, an open house and ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held to mark the opening of the U.S. Department of Energy's new Radiological and Environmental Sciences Laboratory. The mission of the RESL facility is to provide measurement quality assurance for programs that protect workers, the public and the environment. The media is welcome to join us and tour the new facility.

Implementing Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) program standards, the RESL facility was designed and constructed to meet the Gold rating. To deliver the Gold rating, substantial energy cost-saving building techniques were used during construction, i.e., substantial excess ventilation capacity, energy efficiency and reuse of previously owned laboratory equipment.

The new 23,000-square-foot RESL laboratory houses two shielded "iron rooms," or vaults, constructed from pre-World War II steel relocated here from Rocky Flats, and other support equipment required for the lab's radiological operations.

What: Unveiling of the new Radiological and Environmental Sciences

Laboratory

When: 3:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 22 Where: 2351 North Boulevard

Idaho Falls

Directions to the Department of Energy's Radiological and Environmental Sciences Laboratory: From Holmes Avenue, drive west on Anderson, turn right on North Boulevard, cross railroad tracks and turn left into INL Research Center parking lot.